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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

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Title: PISTON ENGINE ASSEMBLY

The prior application is assigned of record to R. Sanderson Management, Inc., a Texas corporation, by virtue of the assignments submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on June 1, 1999 at 009994/0569, September 16, 1999 at 010233/0243 and July 22, 1999 at 010109/0455.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	Pages
Specification	30
Claims	9
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Drawing(s)	31

Enclosures:

- Form PTO-1449, 12 pages, listing documents cited in the parent application(s). Please confirm that these have been considered in this

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application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials.

- Preliminary amendment, 6 pages.
- Copy of Small entity statement. This application is entitled to small entity status.
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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/276,314, filed March 25, 1999. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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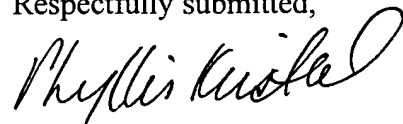
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